

**Andrew Jackson to Rachel Donelson Jackson, March 12, 1814, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson.
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TO MRS. JACKSON.

Fort Strother, March 12, 1814.

My Dear. This will be handed you by James who has been verry sick a long time recovered, took a relapse, and is so far recovered, that I hope he will be able to reach home. I send a little Indian boy, named charley, given me by a friendly chief of the creeks, and the one I named to you I intended to give to Andrew Jackson Donelson.¹ You will treat him as he has been treated here untill I return. I have a severe attack of the Bowell complaint originating from cold, from which I am not all together relieved, but I hope in a few days, I shall be well. I have the promise of Colo. S. D. Hays, to send me his boy from Huntsville if he does you will have to give him squire untill I return. I hope in a few days to be in motion. The unexpected, vissit of Genl John Cocke to the camp of the Eastern Brigade, his unexampled Rascally and mutinous conduct has, delayed that [branch] of the army, and the mutiny he excited carryed of, one hundred and ninety three men. I have demanded his arrest, and explanary punishment awaits him. Notwithstanding all the exertions that has been made to defeat the campaign, with the permission of heaven I will put an end to it in a few days. May the choicest blessings of heaven wait upon in my absence adieu.

¹ Mrs. Jackson's nephew.